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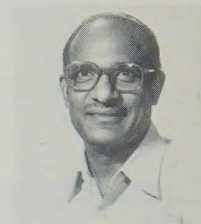
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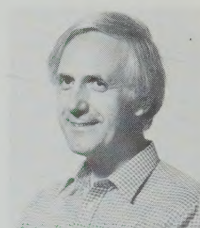
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Christian Endeavor Week 1984

The Junior Christian Endeavor Society of the **Fairlington Presbyterian Church** sponsored a potluck dinner at the church attended by approximately 100 persons. The program included a puppet presentation of the group's activities during the past year, special music by the church choir, and a message by Rev. L. Jerome Fowler, Vice-President of the International Society on the theme, "Lord Our Vision Enlarge." Mrs. Jackie Bowlin is sponsor of the group.

The "Nechap Dublon" society of the **Mizpah Memorial Church** in Dublon Truk, East Caroline Islands, held a birthday banquet on February 4 with more than 100 people in attendance. A wedding ceremony for two of the young people was a part of the celebration.

On February 12 the group visited and met with the Kuchuwa Church youth group and presented group songs and a drama. Rev. Oscar Amron is pastor of the Mizpah Memorial Church.

Mrs. Harry Secrist, Jr., reports that the **Reformed Evangelical Congregational** Junior Christian Endeavor of Rexmont, Pennsylvania, presented a skit, "The Beginning of Christian Endeavor," taken from the Pennsylvania Christian Endeavor JUNIOR BULLETIN. Former Endeavorers participated by reading Scripture, prayer, special music, and devotional meditation. A birthday luncheon followed the service with approximately 100 attending. Decorations included a tree trimmed with red and white hearts, red and white balloons with the Christian Endeavor motto, and red and white hearts hanging from the ceiling with "Lord Our Vision Enlarge" written on them. A decorated birthday cake was presented to an individual present celebrating a birthday that day. Red and white

candle-lighted cup cakes forming 103 were displayed.

All the youth of **Jerusalem Chapel United Brethren Church** in Churchville, Virginia, participated in their Christian Endeavor Day Sunday service. Rev. and Mrs. Elden Griffin also showed slides of their trip to England, Scotland, and Northern Ireland with the International Fellowship Tour. A good time was had by all.

In honor of the 103rd birthday of Christian Endeavor, the youth of the **Ponckhockie Congregational Church** of Kingston, New York, conducted morning worship.

The sermon was delivered by John McFarland, outgoing president, with other members presenting special music and prayers.

New officers installed were Michele Masten, president; Heidi Brandt, vice-president; John McFarland, secretary; and Burton Gulnick, Jr., treasurer. They received pins from Carole Campbell, youth director, and the Rev. Cecil McFarland, pastor.

Following the morning service the third annual Super Glue Award was presented to Jean Kelder Nerone. The award is the church's way of honoring one of the members for outstanding Christian service.

A birthday banquet was held Saturday, February 4, by the **Maryland Christian Endeavor Union** with 34 Endeavorers participating. Plans were made for the formation of a committee for the 100th anniversary of the Maryland Christian Endeavor Union (December 1990) and for the promotion of a bus for the International Convention in Holland, Michigan. Plans also were made for the Spring Alumni Luncheon on Saturday, April 28, 1984, in Frederick, Maryland. Mrs. June Lushbaugh is President.

The Senior High Christian Endeavor Society of the **Bethlehem Congregational Church** in Disputanta, Virginia, took charge of the morning worship service on January 29. In addition to leading the service, the following young people presented talks on the theme, "Lord Our Vision Enlarge": Kim Harvanek, Mark Harvanek, Becky Livesay, Phyllis Vargo, Tracy Brooks, Alice Rusnak, Philip Vargo, and Junior Rusnak. Mrs. Esther Rusnak serves as sponsor for the group.

Unity Presbyterian Church Senior High Christian Endeavor Society conducted the morning worship service on February 5. Scott Bish brought the message on theme, "Lord Our Vision Enlarge," while other young people also presented the special music, Scripture readings, and prayer. On Sunday evening the group had a "C.E. Super Bowl" with the meeting based on the Super Bowl with questions for two teams. The group participated in the Mercer County Christian Endeavor Week activities including a roller rally, the Night of Celebration, and the C.E. Cake Bake contest. Jane Bartholomew is the group's advisor.

Dr. Bruce Thielman, Dean of Chapel at Grove City College, was the speaker at **Mercer County Christian Endeavor** Night of Celebration held at West Middlesex Presbyterian Church as part of the county's celebration of the 103rd birthday of Christian Endeavor.

Don Vespremi, a trustee of the International Society and a member of the Educational Committee, delivered the morning message at **Bruton Road Christian Church** on January 29. Christian Endeavor youth assisted in this service as part of their C.E. Week celebration.

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MEET YOUR INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY LEADERS

OFFICERS

Jack Rothenberger . . . president . . . senior pastor, Central Schwenkfelder Church, Worcester, Pennsylvania . . . graduate of Juniata College (B.S.), Hartford Theological Seminary (M. Div.), Temple University (S.T.M.), and Lancaster Theological Seminary (D. Min.) . . . former Headmaster, chaplain, teacher, and coach at Perkiomen School, editor, *The Schwenkfeldian Magazine* . . . author, *Casper Schwenkfelder and the Ecumenical Ideal* . . . wife, Jean, children, Sue and Bruce.

Marvin Easter . . . associate president . . . music major with emphasis in voice at Biola University, La Mirada, California . . . former president, Washington State Christian Endeavor Union . . . choir director, Nutwood Street Baptist Church, Garden Grove, California . . . member, First Reformed Church, Yakima, Washington . . . organist and pianist . . . song leader at the Seattle '83 Convention.

Jerome Fowler . . . vice-president . . . community coordinator, Shaw Junior High School, Washington, D.C. . . . president, Golden Rule Christian Endeavor Union . . . song leader and pianist . . . member of the First Baptist Church of Georgetown, Washington, D.C. . . . attended Howard University School of Religion . . . conference leader at Christian Endeavor Conventions . . . wife, Geraldine, children, Artis, Monique, and Adrian.

Kathryn Gould . . . vice-president . . . secretary to Director of a Mental Health Clinic, Welland County General Hospital . . . vice-president, Canadian Christian Endeavor Union . . . former president, Ontario Society of Christian Endeavor . . . member of Knox Presbyterian Church, Welland, Ontario . . . ordained ruling elder and clerk of session . . . choir member and member of Treblaires (ladies' chorus) . . . husband, David.

Kent Maxwell . . . vice-president . . . pastor, College Park United Brethren Church, Huntington, Indiana . . . former president, Indiana Christian Endeavor Union . . . graduate of Huntington College (B.A.) and Seminary (M. Div.) and Trinity Evangelical Divinity School (D. Min.) . . . former assistant professor of Christian Ministries, Winebrenner Theological Seminary . . . chairman, Board of Church Services, Church of the United Brethren in Christ . . . wife, Carol, children, Kim and Shawn.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MEMBERS

Lavern Billig . . . immediate past president, I.S.C.E. . . . U.S. Postal Service mail carrier . . . member of the Maysville Community Church, Greenville, Pennsylvania . . . teacher of the High School Sunday School class . . . former president, Pennsylvania Christian Endeavor Union . . . wife, Lucille, daughter, Marjorie.

. . . Church Administrator, Evangelical Congregational denomination . . . member of the Trinity Evangelical Congregational Church, Royersford, Pennsylvania . . . former director of Missions, Evangelical Congregational Church . . . pastor for 20 years . . . graduate Albright College (B.A., D.D.), Evangelical School of Theology (M. Div.) . . . wife, Jane, children, Ruth and Lois.

Margaret Clarkson . . . president, Canadian Christian Endeavor Union . . . secretary and personnel department officer, Wilkinson and Kompass Limited, Hamilton, Ontario . . . former president, Ontario Society of Christian Endeavor . . . member of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Hamilton . . . church treasurer and choir member . . . member I.S.C.E. Finance Committee.

Frank Darling . . . president and field secretary, New York State Christian Endeavor Union . . . former missionary to the American Indians on Western New York Reservations . . . member of The First Church of Evans, Derby, New York . . . former Sunday school superintendent . . . attended Buffalo Bible Institute and Wagner Art School. Wife, Laurel, children, Sandra, Janet, Elizabeth, Frank, Jr., Nancy and William.

Oreon Fields . . . chairman, Finance Committee, International Society . . . supervisor of salary

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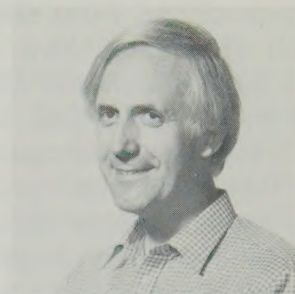
FRANCES BECKER

"Becky," as she is known to her friends, currently serves as a vice-president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union. A retired teacher and administrator of the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, school system, she is a graduate of Temple University, having received both a bachelor's and master's degree in education. She also has served as president of the Philadelphia Principals Association and chairman of various educational committees in the Philadelphia school system. As a member of Olivet-Covenant Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia, "Becky" has served as a church elder, Sunday School teacher, Christian Endeavor leader and chairman of the Church Study Committee. Active on all levels of Christian Endeavor, "Becky" has been a sponsor in her local church, president and a member of the Philadelphia County Board of Christian Endeavor, editor of *Light*, the monthly Philadelphia Christian Endeavor paper, vice-president of the Pennsylvania Christian Endeavor Union and director of the Youth Committee, member of the Executive Committee and trustee of the International Society, and program chairman for the World's Convention in Seoul, Korea, in August 1986. "Becky" has served as a conference leader at a number of International and World's Christian Endeavor Conventions and often is found sharing her love of Christ with the young people from various continents and cultures.



JOEL DELVIS

President of the India Christian Endeavor Union and vice-president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union, "Delvis" received a master's degree in sociology from Poona University. Starting as a teacher in Scott Christian English High School in 1954, "Delvis" joined the Y.M.C.A. in 1956, working at different centers including Nagercoil, Madurai, Bangalore, and currently Poona. He has guided social, cultural, religious and other activities of the Y.M.C.A. He is a member of the National Executive Council, Regional Secretary of the West India Region, president of Association of Secretaries. "Delvis" is co-chairman of Association of Professional Directories of Asia Region, founder of the Boys' Home at Junnar for destitute children, founder of Garland Craiz Memorial School for the deaf, all under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A. He also is the founder of the Remand Homes in Poona. His wife, Pathma, received her M. Com. from Poona University. They have two sons, Shekhar who is enrolled at the University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina, and Keshu who is studying at Wadia College in Poona. "Delvis" is a member of the Finance Committee of the World's Union and has held a number of positions in the India Christian Endeavor Union. He currently serves on its projects committee.



KONRAD BRANDT

Born in Libau, Latvia, Conny became an international personality early in his life. He moved to Danzig where he resided during World War II and later moved to Hamburg and Karlsruhe. In 1955 while living in Chicago, Illinois, Conny felt the call of the Lord in a youth work ministry. He later enrolled in the Theological Seminary in Marburg, Germany. While serving in the Ruhr area in 1965 he met his future wife, Jutta. After working for several years in the local and district work of Christian Endeavor, Conny received a call in 1970 to a ministry with the German Christian Endeavor Union. Since that time he has been involved with Christian Endeavor on a national and worldwide level as Overseas Secretary of the German Christian Endeavor Union. Conny has served on the World's Union Board of Trustees since 1974 and in 1982 was elected as a vice-president of the World's Christian Endeavor. He also currently serves as chairman of the Finance Committee of the World's Union. Conny has been involved in planning Christian Endeavor retreats and is responsible for the relief work in India. He also has been responsible for bringing German youth delegates to a number of International Conventions and also involving young people in the ministry of Christian Endeavor in other areas of the world.

HERE'S WHAT WE'VE BEEN

The Youth Encounter Christian Endeavor of the **First Baptist Church of Georgetown** sponsored a Bible Bowl Poster Contest on the theme, "What C.E. Means to Me." They also distributed 200 "1984 Bible Readings" provided by the American Bible Society to all members of the congregation to encourage Bible reading among the church members. A special offering was received and the \$69.25 offering along with \$40.17 from a Penny Day Rally was sent to the American Bible Society. Adrian Barbour is president of the society.

A panel discussion on "Youth Wants to Know" was sponsored by the **Mt. Rona Missionary Baptist Church** of Washington, D.C. Six adults from the church participated on the panel. Approximately 20 persons participated in the program. The president of the society is Constance Moore.

Paper drives, a supper for the congregation, bake sales, garage sales, visiting nursing homes, and monthly support to a blind young person have all been activities of the Junior Christian Endeavor Society of the **First Reformed Church**, Kalamazoo, Michigan. They also conducted an Easter Sunrise Service and installed a water fountain and cooler in the fellowship room. Mrs. John Bosma is society sponsor.

Raising funds to provide Bibles for New Guinea has been a project of the **Maysville Community Church** Christian Endeavor Society, Greenville, Pennsylvania. They have reached \$3,100 of their \$5,000 goal. They also participated in their church's Christmas cantata by helping with the singing, props, and lighting. The society president is Alan Rea.

Rebuilding their outdoor billboard on U.S. Route #62 has

been a major project of the Senior High Christian Endeavor of the **Unity Presbyterian Church**, Mercer, Pennsylvania. The youth have also painted a new design on the sign — a rainbow and the statement, "Jesus Christ the Hope of the World." Last summer they distributed over 600 flyers to homes in the area of the church to promote the Vacation Bible School. Glenn Myers is society president.

The Junior High through Post High Endeavorers of the **Bethesda Presbyterian Church** in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, has been involved with a local rescue mission that deals with physical and spiritual needs of the impoverished in the community. They put on a service and also provide refreshments following the service. The group has provided clothing for the mission and has done work around the mission.

Leesburg Presbyterian Christian Endeavor Society has created a youth newsletter, the "Leesburger." The goal of the paper is to inform the youth, their parents, and the congregation of upcoming events. It also provides an opportunity for members to submit poems, stories, and thus increase their creativity. Each month they spotlight one member of the Christian Endeavor society. They went "Halloween Caroling" in which they went to shut-ins and sang Halloween songs to Christmas music. They also carved pumpkins and presented them to the shut-ins. Martha Shaw is the society president.

An adopt-a-grandparent program has been undertaken by the Roseburg, Oregon, **First Christian Church** Christian Endeavor Society. This provides the youth a chance of getting to know the older people of the church. They also held a "Summer-in-January"

swimming and ice cream party. Carisa Cegavske is the society president.

The Teen Christian Endeavor Society of the **Bruton Road Christian Church**, Dallas, Texas, sponsored a church-wide youth revival. Young people did visitation several nights prior to the revival and participated on committees to help carry out responsibilities and publicize the revival. On the Saturday prior to the revival, several carloads of youth and adult drivers covered a two to three mile radius around the church distributing folders.

A Christian Endeavor Christmas tree (a seven foot white pine) was decorated by the **Northport Christian Church** Christian Endeavor Society, Newport, Tennessee. The tree was decorated with mirror crosses and red velvet ribbon with silver C.E. monograms. It was displayed at the Gatlinburg Civic Auditorium in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, for their Festival of Trees and then later displayed at Wendy's Restaurant. The group also helped to organize a new Christian Endeavor society at the Sevier County Church of God. Society president is Michele Schultz.

"The Christmas Story," a play written by two of the young people, Chip Cantrell and Joanne Barnes, was presented to the congregation by the Endeavorers of the **Sevier County Church of God** in Sevierville, Tennessee. The young people also designed the costumes and scenery and selected the music. Chip Cantrell serves as society president.

The Valley View Wesleyan youth from the **Valley View Wesleyan Church**, Roanoke, Virginia, have developed a tape ministry. Using four 120-minute tapes, they recorded the morning worship service for shut-ins and anyone

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else who was unable to attend the service. They also sponsored an "adopt-a-grandma" program for the year and have continued their puppet ministry to nursing homes and other interested groups. Nora Kidd is the society president.

The High School Christian Endeavor Society of the **Jerusalem Chapel United Brethren in Christ Church**, Churchville, Virginia, sponsored a program on drugs and alcohol with a detective from the Staunton Police Department speaking on the dangers and problems involved with drugs and alcohol. The group also presented a Christmas play entitled, "A Little Bit of Christmas." Steve Malcolm is society president.

Visiting the sick and shut-in members of the church weekly and sharing Scripture readings with them has been one of the projects of the Varick Christian Endeavor Society of the **St. Augustus A.M.E. Zion Church** in Kinston, North Carolina. They also have sponsored social and spiritually motivating films mostly for the young people of the Kinston community and have held quarterly musical and poetry reading evenings. Kim Raye is the Junior Varick Christian Endeavor President and Dawn White, Senior Varick Christian Endeavor President.

The Junior Christian Endeavor Society of the **Fairlington Presbyterian Church** of Alexandria, Virginia, has painted a new sign for their church and has also sponsored a program of supplying sandwiches to a home in Alexandria which provides for the homeless. They developed a puppet ministry and presented a play, "Searching for the True Meaning of Christmas." Andrew Colley is the president.

Conducting services in the

payroll, Weirton Steel, graduate of Bethany Christian College (B.A.) . . . former president, West Virginia Christian Endeavor Union . . . editor, *West Virginia Endeavorer* . . . member of the New Cumberland Christian Church, New Cumberland, West Virginia . . . elder and Bible school teacher . . . wife, Gay, children, Jerry and Julie.

Nathaniel Jarrett, Jr. . . . pastor, Martin Temple A.M.E. Zion Church, Chicago, Illinois . . . former vice-president, International Society . . . Director of Youth Ministries, A.M.E. Zion denomination . . . graduate of Wayne State University (B.S., M. Ed.), Yale Divinity School (M. Div.), and Chicago Theological Seminary (D. Min.) . . . wife, Estella, children, Craig, Todd, and Tonya.

Mary Moffitt . . . assistant building manager, Corrigan Properties, Inc., Dallas . . . former president, Texas Christian Endeavor Union . . . member of Bruton Road Christian Church, Dallas, Texas . . . senior high school C.E. sponsor . . . program chairman, Reading '77 Convention . . . graduate of Draughen's Business College . . . leadership training director, Texas Christian Endeavor Union.

Ernest Overkamp . . . owner, Holland Stitchcraft, Inc. (styling and developing designs and production patterns for R.V. and truck seats) . . . former president, Michigan Christian Endeavor Union . . . local chairman, Michigan '85 Convention . . . member of the Harlem Reformed Church, Holland, Michigan . . . church deacon . . . Christian Endeavor sponsor . . . wife Ann, children, Dawn and Duane.

Steve Rawley . . . president, Virginia Christian Endeavor Union . . . dairy farmer and seed sales, Rawley Bros., Mt. Solon, Virginia . . . member of Mt. Solon Christian Fellowship Church . . . Sunday school teacher . . . former church lay leader and trustee . . . member of International Businessmen's Fellowship . . . wife, Felecia.

Debbie Witcher . . . former associate president, International Society . . . medical technology major, Sam Houston State University . . . former president, Texas Christian Endeavor Union . . . member First Christian Church, Harlingen, Texas . . . Sunday school teacher and handbell choir member . . . photographer . . . former Christian Youth Witness winner.

homes of church members on weekend evenings who were unable to attend services was a project of the Nichap Dublon Christian Endeavor Society of the **Mizpah Memorial Church** of Dublon Truk, East Caroline Islands. They also

have visited other youth groups on the island giving testimonies and singing songs as a witness. Participating in regional church youth rallies has been another of their special activities. Masachy Fiti serves as society president.

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General Secretary Charles Barner receives C.E. monogram at prayer breakfast in Seoul, Korea, January 12, 1984.



Rev. and Mrs. Barner greet young people at their annual convention at the Presbyterian Seminary in Seoul, Korea, January 12. Mr. Baik and President Kim look on.



Dinner Korean style at Chonbuk. Mr. Kang, Etta Barner, and Mr. Baik.



A Junior Endeavorer presents a bouquet of flowers to Etta Barner.



Mrs. Mike Beatty joins with young Endeavorers in a get-acquainted game at the Kona C.E. Rally January 28.

OUR PACIFIC

by Charles W. Barner

January 10 to February 10 my wife Etta and I visited the Republic of Korea, Japan, Hawaii, and American Samoa. We had planned for sometime to visit Hawaii and American Samoa during Christian Endeavor Week, so when the World's Union Board of Trustees directed me to visit the Republic of Korea to discuss local arrangements for the 20th World's Convention we decided to incorporate it all into one trip.

KOREA

We arrived in Korea the evening of January 11th wondering who would meet us and how we would be received. As we left the customs area in the airport, we saw a large sign, "Welcome, Charles W. Barner, General Secretary of the World's Christian Endeavor Union," and thirty-two of the friendliest Christian Endeavor leaders we have ever met. After a warm greeting, the giving of flowers, and many pictures, we were whisked off to a fine hotel in the center of Seoul.

Early in the morning of January 12th, several Korean Christian Endeavor leaders met us at the door of our room and escorted us to the dining room in the hotel where we had breakfast with fifty-two Christian Endeavor leaders from the area of Seoul. This included a time for Bible reading, meditation, prayer, and the giving of gifts. The remainder of the day was spent sight-seeing in Seoul including the Sejong Cultural Center where the Local Committee suggested we hold the opening convention session and the Chung-hyon Presbyterian Church which the committee suggests using for other convention sessions.

Seoul is the tenth largest city in the world—over eight and a half

million people; it is Asia's fastest growing metropolis with 80 institutions of higher education and has been selected to host the Asian Games in 1986 and the Summer Olympic Games in 1988. Downtown Seoul has a metropolitan look with high-rise buildings, luxurious department stores, quality hotels and first-class restaurants. The city also has many ancient palaces, shrines, imposing gates and monuments from bygone days. When the Korean War broke out in 1950, only one bridge linked the capital with the area south of the Han River. Now there are 15 bridges extending in every direction and four more under construction.

This year marks the centennial of the Protestant Church in Korea. Dr. Horace N. Allen, a medical missionary dispatched by the Presbyterian Church from the United States, was the first of a stream of Protestant missionaries arriving in Korea in 1884.

The Chung-hyon Presbyterian Church in Seoul was founded by Rev. Chang-in Kim in September 1953 and had an adult membership of 163 by the end of that year. This church, which has been active in Christian Endeavor for many years, has more than 10,000 members. The congregation, which Rev. Kim still serves as pastor, will soon move into a new building capable of seating 7,000 people.

During our one-week visit to Korea we traveled from one end of the country to the other including stops at Taejon, Kwangju, and Pusan. In the larger cities we visited huge churches while each small village had a church with a cross atop the steeple. In each city we stopped to have lunch or dinner with Christian Endeavor leaders. In

REA VISIT

Seoul we shared in the National Christian Endeavor Convention for juniors and high school young people. In Pusan we shared in a Christian Endeavor rally attended by 1,000 young men.

The 20th World's Christian Endeavor Convention is scheduled to be held in Seoul, Korea, August 6-9, 1986. The Local Committee suggests we include dawn prayer at 6 a.m. each day followed by jogging and exercise at 7 a.m. Special features should include a visit to the DMZ and a Korean Folk Festival. The Local Committee is investigating the possibility of housing delegates at Han Yang University, Bando Youth Hostel, and hotels in the area of the host church.

We were deeply moved by the spiritual fervor and commitment to Christ on the part of the Korean Christians. They rise early in the morning to spend time in personal devotions in keeping with the Quiet Hour practice of Endeavorers.

JAPAN

January 18 we flew from Seoul to Tokyo. During the flight we inquired about the weather and were assured it was fine and that snow in Tokyo was very infrequent and usually very light. The following day we awoke to an all-day snow which brought the city to a screeching halt. While we were unable to meet many of the Endeavorers because of the brevity of our stay and the heavy snow, we did visit Rev. and Mrs. Takashi Oku, President of the Japan Christian Endeavor Union and Vice President of the World's Union; Rev. Masaru Takahashi, and Rev. Noboru Nishido. We also spent one day with Rev. John Masuda of the Evangelical Congregational Church and Bill Zetter-

burg of Dixon, Illinois, who is serving as a short-term missionary.

HAWAII

January 21 we left winter behind and flew to Honolulu, Hawaii. Here we met Georgia Kay and relaxed at Waikiki. On Saturday, January 28, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Beatty, sponsors for the High School Christian Endeavor Society at Mokuaikaua Church, arranged a Christian Endeavor rally at their church in Kona on the big island of Hawaii. Representatives from five churches on the island including Mokuaikaua, Haili, Olaa, Imiola, and Kalahikiola shared in the rally. The rally included get-acquainted activities in the late morning, lunch and afternoon rally.

Sunday, January 29, we worshiped at the Kalahikiola Congregational Church on the north shore of the big island. Rev. Christian Tirre, former Executive Secretary of the International Society of Christian Endeavor is now serving as pastor of this church.

AMERICAN SAMOA

On February 1st we flew to Pago Pago, American Samoa, where the General Secretary, Otto Galea'i, and several elders met us at the airport. Our hosts for the week in Samoa were Rev. and Mrs. Galea'i.

Since the Second Century Conference in Edinburgh, Christian Endeavor leaders in Nigeria have been in contact with leaders in American Samoa about the need for help in Nigeria. On February 2nd I met with the elders of the Samoan Church to discuss with them the need for a properly qualified school administrator for the Meadows Secondary School in

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Seminary students at New Cannan Seminary in Pago Pago, American Samoa, prepare to play cricket.



1,000 Endeavorers attended the C.E. Rally at Pago Pago, American Samoa, February 5, 1984.



Many young people left the Pago Pago rally in a pickup truck.



Rev. and Mrs. Barner receive a fine mat at a gift-giving ceremony following a Christian Endeavor rally in Pago Pago February 5, 1984.



Endeavorers participate in the Christian Endeavor Rally at Kona, Hawaii, January 28.

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Abak, Nigeria. There is some interest in Samoa to make this a missionary project.

On two occasions we met with the students and faculty of the New Cannan Theological Seminary in Pago Pago and shared information on Christian Endeavor around the world. Sunday, February 5th, I delivered the morning message at the seminary where family members of the students and faculty shared in the worship experience. Following worship we joined in a fellowship meal hosted by Dr. Bert Tofaeono, president of the seminary. Rev. Elia T. Taase, one of the professors, extended words of welcome and appreciation.

The crowning service of our visit to Samoa was the Christian Endeavor rally Sunday night when more than 1,000 young people and their leaders from several districts participated in the service. Words of welcome were extended by Rev. Panama Mutu, President of the American Samoa Christian Endeavor Union, young people from each district spoke on the theme, and each group sang Samoan hymns. Following the rally, a Samoan meal and gift giving-ceremony, sponsored by several civic leaders of the local church, was held.

The Samoan Church has a warm generous spirit working to prepare young people to minister for Jesus Christ. The young people who spoke at the rally were alert with a strong testimony to their faith in the Lord. Many young people are going on to seminary to be equipped for specialized ministry in the church.

The evening before we departed from American Samoa we had a farewell meeting with the elders and women of the Samoan church and scores of gifts were showered on us by the women's group.

Christian Endeavor Week *(Continued from page 3)*

The annual birthday banquet of the **Dallas District Christian Endeavor Union** was held at Casa Linda Presbyterian Church on January 28. Amy Vaupel of Harlingen served as toastmistress, special music was provided by the Dallas Ensemble under the direction of Carl Henry, Sr., and the message on the theme, "Lord Our Vision Enlarge," was brought by Don Vespremi of Abilene, Texas. Mrs. Mary Louise Reece of Dallas and J.C. Estes of Tyler were recognized as the individuals present who had been in Christian Endeavor the longest. Approximately 100 attended the banquet.

The **San Jacinto Area Christian Endeavor** Banquet was held at the Arcadia Christian Church on February 4. Michelle Jackson, First Vice-President of the Texas Union, was toastmistress; Myron Reichardt of Houston, a trustee of the International Society, was song leader; and Don Vespremi was the speaker. The youth from the Arcadia Christian Church presented the special music. There were 150 present for the banquet. Fred Millard is pastor and Ed Skidmore, youth pastor, of the host church.

The **Valley Area** Banquet was held at the First Christian Church in Harlingen, Texas. Rev. George Johnson, Associate Minister of Smith Chapel A.M.E. Church, Dallas, was the speaker and Amy Vaupel of Harlingen, toastmistress. Mrs. Alice Fuqua was in charge of arrangements.

Youth from **Valley View Wesleyan Church** of Roanoke, Virginia, joined with other youth from the Roanoke area for the birthday banquet at Melrose Christian Church on February 4. They also held a service on Sunday evening, January 29, using Christian Endeavor materials, and a party on February 15. Mrs. May Hall is the youth sponsor.

The **Kinderhook Evangelical Congregational Church** of Columbia, Pennsylvania, celebrated Christian Endeavor Week by conducting the Sunday evening service on February 5. Included in the program was special music, a puppet presentation on "The Baby Who Was a Secret" and a choral reading. Rev. Dale B. Fry is pastor of the church.

On February 3 the Endeavorers of the **Disputanta-Petersburg-Prince George-Richmond Area** of Virginia held their annual birthday banquet at the Bethlehem Congregational Church in Disputanta. Dr. W.R. Floyd, pastor of the host church, delivered the message on the Christian Endeavor theme, "Lord Our Vision Enlarge." Endeavorers from the various churches participated in the program. The banquet was attended by 91 Endeavorers. Mrs. Edna Bresko, Mrs. Sharon Sipos, and Myrtle Owens served as the planning committee.



Junior Christian Endeavorers of the Evangelical Congregational Church, Rexmont, Pennsylvania, celebrating the 103rd birthday of Christian Endeavor.



News from Around the World

INDIA

The India Christian Endeavor Union held its Centenary Celebration September 2-4, 1984, in Madras. There were 545 registered delegates along with many other people from across India who attended the centenary convention.

Using the theme, "Jesus Christ the Saviour," featured speakers included Rev. Konrad Brandt, Vice-President of the World's Christian Endeavor Union; Rt. Rev. Dr. Solomon Doraisawmy, a former President of the India Christian Endeavor Union and ex-moderator of the Church of South India; and Rev. Dr. Dayanandan Francis, General Secretary, C.L.S.

LEBANON

Here are some excerpts from a letter recently received by the World's Union President from the Armenian Evangelical Christian Endeavor Union of Syria and Lebanon.

"Thank you for your concern and love for us. Please don't stop praying for us, our churches, our C.E. groups, and of course, Lebanon. Because of the prayers and support of friends like you the grace of God has allowed us to live and to work.

"The individual C.E. groups continue to meet, our publication, Bible study groups and other activities continue, so do the office functions. Then the regularity and consistency leaves a lot to be desired, depending on the day's bombing often we have to plan and then cancel or postpone activities.

"Since the present situation effects everyone living here, it has been difficult to raise funds for our work. Thus our financial position has suffered.

"LONGTIMERS" REMEMBER

"Just want you to know that I've always been interested in C.E. and still am, although we no longer have it in our church.

"When I was just four my father took me to Atlantic City for my first International Convention (1911). The first one I attended on my own was 1927, in Cleveland. After that I went to many of them from San Francisco, to those in the East. The last one I attended was in Dallas.

"At the age of 12 I was permitted to join the society our church had for adults. Then we had no Intermediate, or Junior groups. Later I became president of the group, and went on to be an officer in the Wilmington Union, and also a state officer. The training I received in C.E. prepared me for other work in my church, and other organizations. Despite being a Senior Citizen I still teach two, and some weeks three, Bible study groups, served two years as President of Church Women United in Wilmington. Presently I'm an ordained Elder and Chairman of the Session's Membership and Evangelism Commission. Just wanted you to know what C.E. has meant to an oldtimer."

Dorothy E. Missimer

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"As a teen-ager I joined C.E. in my local church. It was one of the greatest influences of my life.

"We have also lost many of our young people to a steady emmigration out of Lebanon. Though no one can blame their decision to leave this country, their departure leaves gaps in our ranks.

"Daniel Poling, as I recall, was the first International leader — one precious leader. I had a chance to see him once — when I was a college student he was with a group selling war bonds in W.W.I.

"C.E. is surely one of the world's greatest forces for good among young people.

"God's richest blessings upon every one who is presently planning, leading, directing."

Lora Lee Addis — (Almost 90)

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Mrs. Harriet K. Fehlman, secretary of the Adult Christian Endeavor Society of the Trinity United Church of Christ in St. Louis, Missouri, sent the following report:

"Our Society is an active Christian Endeavor group that will celebrate its 50th anniversary in 1985. It consists of over thirty members, many of whom have been together since they were teenagers. We hold regular monthly meetings and participate in both spiritual and recreational activities. Through the years our members have remained committed to the principles embodied in the Christian Endeavor Pledge. Our organization has continued to function well. Under the original traditional C.E. structure of four committees — that is, Devotional Missionary, Lookout, and Recreational — and every member takes an active part in a program that works for Christ and the Church.

"We are called to be faithful disciples of our Lord and His grace is sufficient to meet our needs. The pressures and the problems we face might be different and I thank Him for His strength."

Living Memorials

Living memorials offer an opportunity to express love and appreciation for lives of departed friends or loved ones. It also is a means of showing tribute to them while making an investment in the lives of young people today.

Through the gift of memorials to Christian Endeavor, you continue support for a movement that has meant much to an individual during his lifetime. In lieu of sending flowers why not take the opportunity to make a living memorial to Christian Endeavor as a tribute to one who has finished his course and entered into the rest of the Lord.

To give a living memorial send contributions with the name of the person to be remembered to the International Society of Christian Endeavor. An acknowledgement card will be sent to the family of the deceased and also to the contributor.

During 1983 the International Society received memorial gifts honoring the following individuals:

Mrs. John Bround
Mrs. George (Helen) Campbell
A.G. Clarkson
Kathleen Rogers Emerson
Mrs. Sarah Jackson
Arnold P. Jester
Kay Keogh
Ruth Kinns
Louis J. Klein, Jr.
Anthony LaValle
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Mrs. Esther E. Milam
Elsie Niepling
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Alice Preston
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Mrs. Emmie F. Smith
Todd L. Sollenberger
George Strachan
Virgil Windham
Howard Wolven

Society Roll Call

Societies and unions which have become members of the International Society of Christian Endeavor through financial support of \$25 or more during November and December 1983 and January and February 1984 are listed here. Each of these groups has received an enrollment certificate. Those groups which have contributed \$100 or more have received a gold seal certificate.

Groups are arranged alphabetically by state and province. Others who enroll will be listed in future issues.

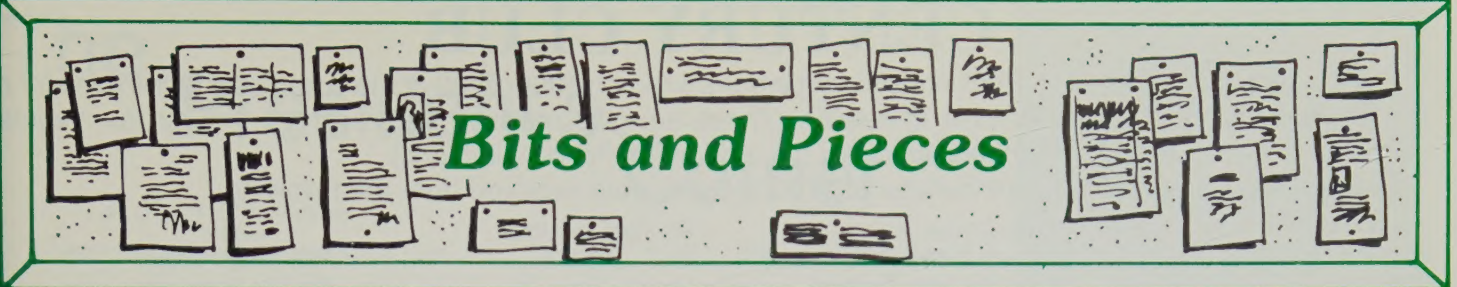
GOLD SEAL

Adult Christian Endeavor, First Baptist Church of Georgetown, Washington, D.C.
Christian Education Department, A.M. E. Zion Church, Chicago, Illinois
Maryland Christian Endeavor Alumni
First Reformed Church of Grandville, Grandville, Michigan
Harlem Reformed Church Sunday School, Holland, Michigan
North Holland Reformed Church, Holland, Michigan
Senior Christian Endeavor, First Reformed Church, Kalamazoo, Michigan
Michigan Christian Endeavor Union
Collegiate Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the City of New York,
New York, New York,
Woodstock Dutch Reformed Church, Woodstock, New York
North Carolina Christian Endeavor Union
First United Brethren in Christ Church, Columbus, Ohio
Ontario Christian Endeavour Society
Gladstone Christian Church, Gladstone, Oregon
Central Schwenkfelder Church, Worcester, Pennsylvania
Pennsylvania Christian Endeavor Union
Southern Region Conference
Bruton Road Christian Church, Dallas, Texas
Richmond-Petersburg-Prince George-Disputanta Area Christian Endeavor, Virginia
Westminster Presbyterian Church in America, Roanoke, Virginia
Washington State Christian Endeavor Union
Christian Church of New Cumberland, New Cumberland, West Virginia

HONOR GROUPS

Youth Encounter Christian Endeavor, First Baptist Church of Georgetown, Washington, D.C.
Adult Christian Endeavor Society, Third Baptist Church, Washington, D.C.
Christian Endeavor Societies, Union Wesley A.M.E. Zion Church, Washington, D.C.
Michigan Conference, Church of the United Brethren in Christ
Varick Christian Endeavor, Lomax A.M.E. Zion Church, Detroit, Michigan
Senior Christian Endeavor, Ottawa Reformed Church, West Olive, Michigan
Westchester Christian Endeavor Alumni, New York
Westport Federated Church, Westport, New York
Church School Literature Department, A.M.E. Zion Church, Charlotte, North Carolina
Varick Christian Endeavor, St. Stephen A.M.E. Zion Church, Maysville, North Carolina
Mitchell Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church, Pittsboro, North Carolina
West Second Avenue Presbyterian Church, Columbus, Ohio
Christian Endeavor Societies, Bethel United Presbyterian Church, Salineville, Ohio
Adult Christian Endeavour Society, Grace Brethren Church, Sherston, Ontario
Youth Group, Stevensville United Brethren Church, Stevensville, Ontario
Christian Endeavor, Turner Christian Church, Turner, Oregon
Oregon Christian Endeavor Union
Senior Christian Endeavor, St. Paul's Evangelical Congregational Church, Allentown,
Pennsylvania
Youth Fellowship, Blakely Primitive Methodist Church, Blakely, Pennsylvania
Emmanuel Evangelical Congregation Church, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania
Adult Community Christian Endeavor, Greenville, Pennsylvania
Maysville Community Church, Greensville, Pennsylvania
Luzerne County (PA) Christian Endeavor Alumni Association
Christian Endeavor Alumni, St. Paul's Reformed Episcopal Church, Oreland,
Pennsylvania

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Bits and Pieces

About 75 persons attended the 67th annual Poling Alumni Christian Endeavor Banquet held on February 25 at the City Mission in Cleveland, Ohio. Robert Ball served as emcee, Paul Leighton as song leader, and Charles Barner, General Secretary of the International Society delivered the evening challenge. Charles Edstrand, Lois Kraus, Betty Farber, and Paul Leighton were installed for a three-year term as trustees by Dave Jackson, Executive Secretary of the International Society.

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An "Olympic Celebration," sponsored jointly by California Christian Endeavor and Los Angeles County Christian Endeavor, will be held Sunday, August 5, 1984, at 3 p.m., during the 1984 Summer Olympics at the popular Church of the Open Door at 6th and Hope Streets in the heart of downtown Los Angeles.

The featured speaker will be Dr. J. Vernon McGee, known around the world for his radio broadcasts. His popular radio Bible study series, *Thru the Bible*, is broadcast in twenty languages.

If you are planning to attend the Olympics, include this opportunity to meet with other Christian Endeavorers for fellowship, inspiration, singing, and witnessing.

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Mrs. Hope Norris, a longtime C.E.'er and life trustee of the International Society now is 94 and continues to enjoy the cards and notes she receives. Her address is c/o Mrs. Bess Denton, 415 Mountain View Drive, Hot Springs, Arkansas 71913.

In Wisconsin 125 Christian Endeavorers renewed ties and vows to Christian Endeavor during their annual reunion Saturday, September 19, 1983, at Crossroads United Presbyterian Church in Mequon, a suburb of Milwaukee.

The speaker, Dr. Raymond M. Veh, a longtime trustee of the International Society and a member of the Topic Committee, delivered a message on the theme, "I Will Be a Christian," the same theme used by Dr. Daniel A. Poling at the opening session of the International Convention held in Milwaukee fifty years earlier.

Following a hymn sing led by Paul Freshley and Gladys MacPherson, a communion service, directed by Rev. Paul A. Doedens and Rev. Edgar Bletcher, brought the activities to a successful conclusion.

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Rev. Christian A. Tirre, former Executive Secretary of the International Society, was installed as pastor of the Kalahikiola Congregational Church in Kapaau, Hawaii, on March 4, 1984. His present address is P.O. Box 159, Kapaau, Hawaii 96755.

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Rev. Raymond C. Steinhart, a life trustee of the International

Society died Friday, December 16, 1983, at the Evangelical Congregational Church Retirement Village in Myerstown, Pennsylvania. Mr. Steinhart served for many years as a member of the Topics Committee and as a topic writer for the International Society. He also was known as "the Minister Magician" through his presentation of the Gospel through the use of magic.

Mr. Steinhart served for 42 years as a pastor in the Evangelical Congregational Church. He is survived by his wife, Zelia, and two sons, Edward and Dean.

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Word has been received of the deaths of the following longtime Endeavorers: Walter O. Anderson (New Jersey), Julia E. BonDurant (D.C.), Edward A. Daum, D.D. (Pennsylvania), Gretna L. Freeman (Ohio), A.G. Hale (Texas), Paul S. Harper (Pennsylvania), R.E. LeRiche (Washington), Frances D. Montag (Pennsylvania), Elsie H. Niepling (New Jersey), Alice Preston (Wisconsin), Mrs. Arthur (Rachel) Preston (Kansas), Margaret Reese (Pennsylvania), and J. Mervin Rosenberger (Pennsylvania). Our sympathies are extended to their families.

Roll Call *(Continued from page 12)*

Bethesda Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
 The First Presbyterian Church of Olney, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
 Mt. Olivet United Brethren Church, Mt. Solon, Virginia
 Mt. Olivet Christian Endeavor Society, Mt. Olivet United Brethren Church, Mt. Solon, Virginia
 Valley View Wesleyan Church, Roanoke, Virginia
 Christian Endeavor Societies, Christian Church of New Cumberland, New Cumberland, West Virginia
 Christian Endeavor Society, Elm Grove Christian Church, Wheeling, West Virginia
 Nechap Dublon, Mizpah Memorial Church, Dublon, Truk, East Caroline Islands

CENTURY CLUB

The *Century Club*, started in 1980, consists of persons who contribute \$100 or more annually to the ministry of the International Society of Christian Endeavor. (These are gifts received and recorded through our regular channels of giving such as membership, direct gift, and memorial contributions).

During 1983 *Century Club* contributions of \$100 or more were received from the following:

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Florence Zimmerman

The President's Corner

by Jack R. Rothenberger

I once read a story about a person who opened a store across the street from an older business establishment that handled the same kind of merchandise. The original store owner became concerned about his newer, progressive competitor. After careful consideration, he decided to emphasize the stability of his business by making it known that he had been around for half a century. He put this sign in his store window: ESTABLISHED 50 YEARS! A few days later the new store owner put this sign in his window: ESTABLISHED YESTERDAY — NO OLD STOCK!

This story reminds me that there are two kinds of C.E. members. One kind lives on the fond memories of years now gone. They are "established" but their "shelves" have only "old stock" of past experiences. The other kind are the ones who keep growing spiritually and thank God, who daily provides new experiences of His love and guidance.

Christian believers need to be reminded that we do not merely celebrate the memory of "a prophet who was mighty in word and deed," but we experience the reality of a living Lord and Savior. An authentic encounter with the living Christ should have observable intellectual, emotional, volitional and physical impact on our total personalities. There is nothing old, tepid or tedious about real life in Christ. A Christ-centered church filled with Christ-possessed believers is a fellowship throbbing with new life. Elton Trueblood calls that kind of a church the "incendiary fellowship." John Calvin called the church the "fellowship of the flaming heart."

During 1984 my prayer for Christian Endeavor as well as for the entire world is that the Prince of Peace will become a living experience so that the "incendiary fellowship" may rekindle enthusiasm in the lives of those who seek peace on earth. May we who are actively engaged in Christian Endeavor realize that we truly are instruments of God's Peace on earth.

The reason for dullness and mere routine in many Christian believers and in many Christian Endeavor societies is a failure to allow the good news of Christmas and Easter to become personal. God wants each of us to be radiant, passionate followers of the living Christ who joined with believers everywhere to form the fellowship of the flaming heart. He wants to fill the shelves of our lives



with new stock of faith.

To receive this new stock you and I need to listen to the living Christ as He speaks to us today. A mind alive to truth from the Lord results in a heart ablaze with new excitement for the Lord . . . a deeper supportive and remedial fellowship in the Lord . . . and a burning desire to witness to all others about the Lord. May you receive a fresh stock of vital faith in the living Christ during this year of service for Him.

The following meditation from the December 6, 1983, *The Mennonite* magazine expresses my desire for each of you!

JESUS, COME ON IN

Lord Jesus,
it occurs to me that I have always
misinterpreted that picture of you
knocking at the door.
I always thought that what was keeping you locked out
was my badness, all the evil thoughts,
the wrong things I've done,
But that's not it at all, is it?
I've been keeping you out, until I can clean up a room for you
to stay in,
with absolutely clean sheets,
perfectly made bed, not a speck of dust,
pictures hung just right.
I keep forgetting, Lord Jesus, that you were willing to come
to a manger,
with hay all over the place and dusty straw for a mattress,
where there were no windows and no pictures,
just a place, as it was
but open and ready for you.
Lord Jesus, come into my life,
as imperfect as any stable is for your habitation.
Come, before I make it completely ready for you,
because if I ask you to wait for that,
you will be outside knocking forever. Amen.

—William F. Finlaw

May the Lord truly be in our lives as we seek to enlarge our vision for Him. May God bless us so that we may be blessings to all others.

Here's what we've been doing!

_____ Christian Endeavor Society
in the _____ Church

Address _____

Pastor's name _____

President's name _____

Address _____

Person making report _____

Address _____

Our most important project (describe) _____

Date (or dates) of project _____ Number of people involved _____

Other activities of our group _____

Our best regular evening meeting was (describe) _____

Date _____ Number of people involved _____

Please return this form
by July 15, 1984 to:

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR
P.O. BOX 1110, COLUMBUS, OH 43216

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